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2000/1
UNDP Business Plans, 2000-2003

The Executive Board

1. *Recalls* General Assembly resolution 53/192;

2. *Recalls* Economic and Social Council resolution 1999/6;

3. *Reaffirms* its decisions 94/14, 98/1, 98/23, 99/1 and 99/23;

4. *Welcomes* the efforts of the Administrator to secure the future of the United Nations Development Programme as a leading development programme of the United Nations and *affirms its support* to him in continuing those efforts, *inter alia*, in the framework of United Nations reform in operational activities;

5. *Expresses* serious concern at the decline in the level of core resources and calls upon the Administrator, in the context of the implementation of the Business Plans, to increase efforts in order to secure predictable funding for the United Nations Development Programme and to reach the agreed annual funding target of $1.1 billion in core resources;

6. *Notes* that the Business Plans emphasize that the operational activities of the United Nations Development Programme must remain country-driven;

7. *Looks forward* to the timely implementation of the Business Plans, 2000-2003 contained in document DP/2000/8 and requests the Administrator in implementing the Business Plans to take fully into account the views expressed at the first regular session of the Executive Board in 2000 and the fundamental characteristics of the operational activities of the United Nations;

8. *Requests* the Administrator to report to the Executive Board on the evolution and implementation of the Business Plans, 2000-2003 as part of the reporting cycle established under the multi-year funding framework.

28 January 2000

2000/2
Assistance to East Timor

The Executive Board

Approves the allocation of $5 million from the target for resource allocation from the core to meet immediate needs for assistance for the period 1999-2000 and the authority to make future allocations according to the formula applied to other programme countries.

25 January 2000

2000/3
UNDP regular funding and cash-flow management

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the information contained in document DP/2000/CRP.3;

2. *Notes* the serious impact of delayed payments on cash-flow management as reported in the document;

3. *Notes* the importance of officially communicating regular resources contributions for 2000 as early in the year as possible;

4. *Supports* the recommendation of the Administrator for a comprehensive implementation of the elements of the United Nations Development Programme funding strategy (decision 98/23) concerning the announcement of pledges and adherence to a fixed payment schedule.

26 January 2000

2000/4
Comprehensive revision of the UNDP Financial Regulations and Rules

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Administrator contained in document DP/2000/4; the information contained in document DP/2000/CRP.5; the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in document DP/2000/7; and the further clarifications provided by the Administrator in document DP/2000/CRP.4;

2. *Takes note* of the urgent need for a comprehensive revision of the United Nations Development Programme Financial Regulations and Rules in order for the Programme to maintain effective financial management and control in the organization;

3. *Reaffirms* the important role of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions in administrative and budgetary matters, including the revision process of the United Nations Development Programme Financial Regulations;

4. *Approves* the proposed revised financial regulations contained in the annex to document DP/2000/4, with the amendments listed in the annex to the present decision, and with the exception of the following proposed regulations: 16.03 regarding a limited authority for the Administrator to advance funds from regular resources prior to the receipt of anticipated contributions to other resources; 17.04 regarding authorization for the Administrator to select an intergovernmental or non-governmental organization as executing entity; 19.01 regarding an expanded grant modality; and 25.08 regarding authority for the Administrator to establish credit facilities;

5. *Requests* the Administrator to present for approval, at a future session of the Executive Board, additional information on the proposed four new areas of authority described in paragraphs 40-48 of document DP/2000/4;

6. *Decides* that, pending the approval of financial regulations pertaining to the areas covered by the four regulations referred to in paragraph 4 of the present decision, the following current financial regulations shall remain in effect: Regulation 4.15 (c) regarding defaults on payments required under agreements

between a contributor and the Administrator; Regulation 8.12 regarding authority for the Administrator to incorporate micro-capital grant support in association with technical cooperation programmes; and Regulation 8.10 (e) regarding authorization for the Administrator to contract, subject to the agreement of the requesting Government or Governments, for the services of other agencies, private firms or individual experts in the execution of projects, and to contract projects to a governmental, intergovernmental or organization not part of the United Nations system, or to the United Nations Development Programme itself, if the entity meets the conditions set out in the Regulation;

7. *Takes note* of the proposed financial rules also presented in the annex to document DP/2000/4, which will become effective simultaneously with the financial regulations;

8. *Requests* the Administrator to defer approval of those financial rules associated with the four proposed regulations referred to in paragraph 4 of the present decision;

9. *Also requests* the Administrator to ensure that any proposed decision submitted to the Executive Board by the United Nations Development Programme that is expected to affect the Financial Regulations and Rules be accompanied by the proposed revised text of the relevant regulation and/or rule;

10. *Further requests* the Administrator to keep the financial regulations under active review, including with regard to taking into account any adjustment that may facilitate the implementation of the United Nations Development Assistance Framework, and to consult accordingly with members of the Executive Board;

11. *Requests* the Administrator to transmit to the Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions (Financial and Budgetary Questions) the changes in terminology introduced through the present decision and to inform the Executive Board of the comments of the Committee;

12. *Recommends* that the United Nations Development Programme seek, whenever feasible, the views of the Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions (Financial and Budgetary Questions) on any new proposed changes of terminology in the Financial Regulations and Rules, with a view towards harmonization;

13. *Emphasizes* the continuing need to organize, well in advance of the appropriate Executive Board session, informal consultations with Board members on the draft of any change proposed to the Financial Regulations, with a view to ensuring that the changes and their rationale are fully explained in an appropriate and useful format.

28 January 2000

Annex

Amendments to the proposed revised UNDP financial regulations and rules, as approved by the Executive Board

Regulation 5.02:

"Contributions may be accepted by UNDP from Governments of States members of the United Nations, of the specialized agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as from those organizations and agencies themselves. Contributions may also be accepted from any other intergovernmental, non-governmental, or private sector sources subject to such conditions and criteria as the Executive Board and the Administrator may establish."

Regulation 5.07 (b):

"Contributions shall be paid in advance of the allocation made for the implementation of planned UNDP programme activities, ~~except as provided by Regulation 16.03 below~~;"

Regulation 9.04:

Delete: "Income other than contributions, direct refunds of expenditures in respect of programme activities or in respect of the biennial support budget during their approved period and revenue derived from staff assessments shall be classified as miscellaneous income."

Insert: "All income to UNDP shall be classified as miscellaneous income, except:

(a) The income from the contributions specified in this chapter;

(b) Direct refunds of expenditures in respect of programme activities during the approved duration of a programme activity, i.e., before the final allocation for UNDP assistance to a programme activity is made;

(c) Direct refund of expenditures in respect of the biennial support budget during the current biennium;

(d) Advances or deposits to funds;

(e) Revenue derived from the staff assessment plan";

Regulation 11.02:

"The distribution of resources among the different programme categories may be changed only by the Executive Board ~~on the basis of principles it shall have established~~";

Regulation 12.02:

Delete (c) of the Regulation and incorporate in the Financial Rules:

"The Administrator may determine a TRAC-1 threshold below which the approval process of the country cooperation framework shall be simplified. The Administrator shall inform the Executive Board and those programme countries to which the simplified process is applied of this threshold";

Regulation 14.04:

"Transfers between the appropriation lines for the biennium may be made by the Administrator, subject to limits as the Executive Board may specifically decide, with the prior concurrence of the Advisory Committee";

Regulation 16.06 (a):

"The administration by executing entities of resources obtained from or through UNDP shall be carried out under their respective financial regulations, rules, practices and procedures only to the extent that they ~~are appropriate~~ do not contravene the principles of the Financial Regulations and Rules of UNDP";

Regulation 16.07:

The Administrator shall establish, from time to time, in consultation with the Board of Auditors, criteria determining which UNDP programme activities executed by other entities other than organizations from the United Nations system are to be audited biennially. Such criteria shall be made available to the Board of Auditors."

2000/5
Revision to the United Nations Population Fund Financial Regulations

The Executive Board,

1. *Approves* the revisions to the United Nations Population Fund Financial Regulations as contained in document DP/FPA/2000/3, with amendments to regulations 2.1(k), 2.2C(ii), 2.2C(iv), 4.11, 5.5 and 17.2, as follows:

(a) *Regulation 2.1(k)*: "implementing agency", if other than the executing agency, shall mean an entity engaged by and accountable to the executing agency to provide programme/project inputs and deliver programme/project outputs.

(b) *Regulation 2.2C(ii)*: "co-financing" shall mean a resource mobilization modality through which contributions, as defined in 2.2C(iv), may be received in support of specified purposes consistent with the policies, aims and activities of UNFPA. These contributions may be in the form of cost-sharing or trust funds and shall be considered over and above the regular resources available for programmes.

(c) *Regulation 2.2C(iv)*: "contribution" shall mean cash or in-kind resources received from a Government or intergovernmental institution; United Nations agencies; or non-governmental sources, including foundations or private sector organizations, as well as individuals. Contributions cover programme costs as well as programme support and management and administration costs.

(d) *Regulation 4.11*: The Executive Director shall report annually to the Executive Board on contributions above $100,000 received from non-governmental sources.

(e) *Regulation 5.5*: The Executive Director shall require reimbursement of managerial and support services costs associated with the management and administration of trust funds up to the amount authorized by the Executive Board.

(f) *Regulation 17.2*: The Executive Director shall ensure that, except for organizations of the United Nations system, executing agencies shall require their auditors to follow, to the extent feasible, the audit principles and procedures prescribed for the United Nations with respect to funds obtained from or through UNFPA, and shall ensure that each project is audited periodically as required by the Executive Director, but at least once in its lifetime.

2. *Emphasizes* the continuing need for organizing, well in advance of the appropriate Executive Board session, informal consultations with Board Members on proposed draft changes of financial rules and regulations, with a view towards ensuring that the proposed changes and the rationale are fully and clearly explained in an appropriate and useful format;

3. *Recommends* that the United Nations Population Fund seek, whenever feasible, the views of the Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions (Financial and Budgetary Questions) on proposed changes of terminology in the Financial Rules and Regulations, with a view toward harmonization;

4. *Encourages* the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Development Programme to consult each other on the feasibility of developing a common regulation concerning contributions from non-governmental sources and to report to the Executive Board at its third regular session 2000;

5. *Requests* the Executive Director to keep the Financial Regulations under active review, including with regard to taking into account any adjustment that may facilitate the implementation of the United Nations Development Assistance Framework and to consult accordingly with members of the Executive Board.

28 January 2000

2000/6
Overview of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its first regular session 2000

The Executive Board

Recalls that during the first regular session 2000, it:

Item 1
Organizational matters

Elected the following members of the Bureau for 2000:

President: H.E. Mr. Vladimir Galuška (Czech Republic)

Vice-President: H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal (Guatemala)

Vice-President: Mr. Tetsuo Kondo (Japan)

Vice-President: Mr. Mathe Matthews Diseko (South Africa)

Vice-President: Mr. Le Hoai Trung (Viet Nam)

Approved the agenda and work plan for its first regular session 2000 (DP/2000/L.1) as orally amended;

Approved the reports of the annual session 1999 (DP/1999/28) and of the third regular session 1999 (DP/2000/1);

Approved the annual work plan 2000 for the UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board (DP/2000/CRP.1) as orally amended;

Agreed to the following schedule of future sessions of the Executive Board in 2000:

Second regular session 2000: 3-7 April 2000

Annual session 2000: 13-23 June 2000 (Geneva)

Third regular session 2000: 11-15 September 2000

Agreed to the following tentative schedule of future sessions of the Executive Board in 2001:

First regular session 2001:	[22 January-2 February 2001 or 29 January-10 February 2001]
[Second regular session 2001:	19-23 March 2001]
Annual session 2001:	14-25 May 2001 (New York)
Third regular session 2001:	10-14 September 2001

Agreed to the subjects to be discussed at the second regular session 2000 of the Executive Board, as listed in the tentative agenda and workplan contained in the annex to the present decision;

UNDP segment

Item 2
Business plans, 2000-2003

Adopted decision 2000/1 of 28 January 2000 on the Administrator's Business Plans, 2000-2003;

Took note of the report on the comprehensive assessment of the UNDP 2001 change process (DP/2000/3);

Item 3
Country cooperation frameworks and related matters

Approved the first country cooperation framework for Liberia (DP/CCF/LIR/1);

Took note of the following extensions of country cooperation frameworks:

First extension of the country cooperation framework for Angola	DP/CCF/ANG/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Mauritius	DP/CCF/MAR/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Seychelles	DP/CCF/SEY/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Swaziland	DP/CCF/SWA/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Indonesia	DP/CP/INS/5/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for the Republic of Korea	DP/CCF/ROK/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Belarus	DP/CCF/BLR/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Bosnia and Herzegovina	DP/CCF/BIH/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Bulgaria	DP/CCF/BUL/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Croatia	DP/CCF/CRO/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for the Czech Republic	DP/CCF/CZE/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Estonia	DP/CCF/EST/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	DP/CCF/MCD/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Georgia	DP/CCF/GEO/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Hungary	DP/CCF/HUN/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Latvia	DP/CCF/LAT/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Lithuania	DP/CCF/LIT/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Malta	DP/CCF/MAT/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Poland	DP/CCF/POL/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for the Republic of Moldova	DP/CCF/MOL/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the country cooperation framework for the Russian Federation	DP/CCF/RUS/1/EXTENSION I

First extension of the country cooperation framework for Slovakia	DP/CCF/SLO/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Slovenia	DP/CCF/SVN/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the fifth country programme for Turkey	DP/CP/TUR/5/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Ukraine	DP/CCF/UKR/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the country cooperation framework for Saint Helena	DP/CCF/STH/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the regional cooperation framework for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States	DP/RCF/REC/1/EXTENSION 1

Took note of the following country reviews:

First country review report for Bangladesh (DP/CRR/BGD/1)

First country review report for Botswana (DP/CRR/BOT/1)

First country review report for China (DP/CRR/CPR/1)

First country review report for Kazakhstan (DP/CRR/KAZ/1)

First country review report for Kyrgyzstan (DP/CRR/KYR/1)

First country review report for Viet Nam (DP/CRR/VIE/1)

Adopted decision 2000/2 of 25 January 2000 on assistance to East Timor;

Item 4
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Adopted decision 2000/3 of 26 January 2000 on regular funding and cash-flow management;

Adopted decision 2000/4 of 28 January 2000 on the revised Financial Regulations and Rules;

UNDP/UNFPA segment

Item 5
Implementation of recommendations of the Board of Auditors

Took note of the UNDP report on implementation of recommendations of the Board of Auditors for the biennium 1996-1997 (DP/2000/6);

Took note of the UNFPA report on follow-up to the report of the Board of Auditors for 1996-1997: Status of implementation of recommendations (DP/FPA/2000/4);

Item 6
Field visits

Took note of the report of the field visit to Bulgaria and Georgia (DP/2000/CRP.2);

UNFPA segment

Item 7
Country programmes and related matters

Approved the following country programmes:

Assistance to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran (DP/FPA/IRN/3);

Assistance to the Government of Zimbabwe (DP/FPA/ZWE/4);

Approved the extension of and additional resources for the UNFPA country programme for Niger (DP/FPA/NER/4/EXT.1);

Approved the UNFPA intercountry programme, 2000-2003 (DP/FPA/2000/1), taking into account the comments of the Board as reflected in the report of the session;

Took note of the review of the UNFPA intercountry programme, 1996-1999 (DP/FPA/2000/1/Add.1);

Item 8
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Endorsed the standard rate of 7.5 per cent for reimbursement of administrative and operational support costs for UNFPA execution of co-financing trust-fund activities;

Adopted decision 2000/5 of 28 January 2000 on the revised UNFPA Financial Regulations;

Took note of the Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (DP/FPA/2000/5);

Item 9
Technical advisory programme, 2000-2003

Took note of the selection of Bratislava, Slovakia, as the site of the UNFPA country technical services team office to cover countries with economies in transition;

Item 10
Other matters

Took note of the oral report on the outcome of the 2-3 December 1999 meeting of the WHO/UNICEF/UNFPA Coordinating Committee on Health and the report of the meeting, as contained in DP/FPA/2000/CRP.2;

28 January 2000

Annex

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Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA
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2000/7
United Nations Development Fund for Women

The Executive Board

1. *Notes with appreciation* the results achieved by the United Nations Development Fund for Women in implementing the Strategy and Business Plan, 1997-1999, as contained in document DP/2000/15/Add.1;

2. *Recognizes* the significant progress made by the United Nations Development Fund for Women in becoming the centre of excellence within the operational activities for development of the United Nations system for innovative and catalytic programmes promoting women's empowerment and gender equality, in line with its mandate as contained in General Assembly resolution 39/125;

3. *Reaffirms* the focus of the United Nations Development Fund for Women on strategic interventions in its areas of comparative advantage and within its three thematic priorities, and on supporting innovative and experimental activities in implementing the Strategy and Business Plan within the context of the Beijing Platform for Action and of the follow-up to the five-year review of the Fourth World Conference on Women;

4. *Also reaffirms* the role of the United Nations Development Fund for Women in promoting gender-mainstreaming throughout operational activities for development of the United Nations system, in the context of the resident coordinator system and in particular within the common country assessment and United Nations Development Assistance Framework processes;

5. *Endorses* the programme focus, strategies and targets set out in the Strategy and Business Plan, 2000-2003, of the United Nations Development Fund for Women (DP/2000/15), taking into account the comments made by the Executive Board at its current session;

6. *Takes note with appreciation* of the conference room paper on UNIFEM execution of UNDP projects and programmes (DP/2000/CRP.7), prepared jointly by the two entities, and recommends that the Administrator include the United Nations Development Fund for Women among the organizations to which execution responsibility for United Nations Development Programme projects and programmes can be entrusted, with the understanding that such execution would be limited to cases in which the United Nations Development Fund for Women has a comparative advantage, where these programmes and projects cannot be executed by an appropriate national or regional entity, and where they are consistent with the strategies of the Fund set out in the Business Plan;

7. *Encourages* the United Nations Development Fund for Women to mobilize resources for its future activities from all available sources, including the private sector, and urges all Member States to contribute and to consider increasing their contributions to the United Nations Development Fund for Women.

6 April 2000

2000/8
UNFPA and sector-wide approaches

The Executive Board

1. *Notes with appreciation* the report on sector-wide approaches contained in document DP/FPA/2000/CRP.3;

2. *Encourages* UNFPA to strengthen further its participation in the design and execution of sector-wide approaches in accordance with its mandate and comparative advantage, and in particular regarding normative aspects, in the areas of reproductive health, including family planning and maternal and sexual health, and population and development strategies and its comprehensive advocacy for gender equality and the empowerment of women and requests the Executive Director to report thereon to the Executive Board in the annual report of the multi-year funding framework;

3. *Also encourages* UNFPA, where feasible, to play an advocacy role to ensure that reproductive health and rights and population variables are included in other relevant sectors;

4. *Urges* UNFPA in its involvement in sector-wide approaches to pay increased attention to the growing problems caused by the HIV/AIDS epidemic;

5. *Endorses* UNFPA participation, on a case-by-case basis, in common-basket funding arrangements in sector-wide approaches where UNFPA is satisfied that adequate monitoring, reporting and accounting mechanisms are in place, taking into account the views expressed by the Executive Board at its second regular session 2000 and in this respect encourages UNFPA to join with partners to support and strengthen programme country systems for monitoring, reporting and accounting, where feasible;

6. *Requests* UNFPA to track carefully its involvement in sector-wide approaches, compiling lessons learned and good practices, including the impact UNFPA participation in common baskets has on the achievement of the multi-year funding framework outputs, and to share this knowledge with the Executive Board and, where appropriate, with Governments, donors, partners in the United Nations system and civil society organizations;

7. *Also requests* the Executive Director to keep UNFPA financial regulations under active review, taking into account any adjustment that may facilitate the full participation of UNFPA in sector-wide approaches and to present proposals on this issue to the Executive Board at its first regular session 2002 after having submitted it to the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

8. *Further requests* UNFPA, in collaboration with United Nations Development Group partners, where appropriate, to ensure adequate staff training on sector-wide approaches to enable the full participation of UNFPA in the processes.

6 April 2000

2000/9
UNFPA multi-year funding framework, 2000-2003

The Executive Board

1. *Reaffirms* its decision 99/5 on the UNFPA multi-year funding framework (MYFF);

2. *Notes with appreciation* the report of the Executive Director on the multi-year funding framework, 2000-2003 (DP/FPA/2000/6);

3. *Welcomes* the significant achievements of UNFPA both at headquarters and in the field in developing the multi-year funding framework;

4. *Welcomes* the strategic direction of the multi-year funding framework and looks forward to its continued implementation;

5. *Requests* the Executive Director to implement the multi-year funding framework, 2000-2003, taking into account the views expressed at the Executive Board at its second regular session 2000, and the previous relevant decisions;

6. *Notes* the funding scenarios accompanying the results framework as representing UNFPA resource mobilization targets and encourages all countries in a position to do so to assist UNFPA to reach a total figure of regular and supplementary resources of $1,434 million for the period 2000-2003;

7. *Requests* the Executive Director to provide updated estimates of regular and supplementary resources in the multi-year funding framework at the third regular session 2000;

8. *Encourages* UNFPA, in consultation with the Executive Board, to evaluate regularly the actual and projected resource situation, taking into account resources received in order to contribute to programme effectiveness, and thereby to encourage all countries in a position to do so to increase their contributions to UNFPA;

9. *Requests* the Executive Director, in consultation with the Executive Board, to continue to develop and refine the multi-year funding framework as a strategic management tool at corporate and country levels, which integrates programme objectives, resources, budget and outcomes, with the objective of increasing core resources, taking into account experiences gained as the framework is implemented as well as the views expressed by members of the Executive Board at the second regular session 2000, *inter alia*,

(a) Refinement of outputs and time bound indicators;

(b) Refinement of the linkages between strategies, goals and outputs;

(c) Further exploration of the methodology for evaluating the relationship between results and available resources, recognizing that there is no direct, one-to-one statistical link between resources and results;

(d) Further development of UNFPA resource mobilization strategy;

10. *Reiterates* the need for the full engagement of programme countries at all stages in the elaboration, monitoring and reporting of the results framework;

11. *Requests* the Executive Director, from 2001 onwards and in conjunction with the announcement of voluntary core contributions to UNFPA, to report every year at the annual session, as per paragraph 81 of document DP/FPA/2000/6, on:

(a) Annual progress in contributing to the goals and achieving the outputs identified in the results framework and;

(b) Status of financial implementation of the resources framework;

12. *Also requests* the Executive Director to report to the Executive Board at its annual session 2001 and annually thereafter, on the development and refinement of the multi-year funding framework;

13. *Requests* the Executive Director to present a detailed report at its annual session 2003 on the results achieved in the cycle, lessons learned, and their implications for priority setting and formulation of the multi-year funding framework for the subsequent cycle taking into account the need to harmonize UNDP/UNFPA/UNICEF reporting cycles.

7 April 2000

2000/10
Overview of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its second regular session 2000

The Executive Board

Recalls that during the second regular session 2000, it:

Item 1
Organizational matters

Approved the agenda and work plan for its second regular session 2000 (DP/2000/L.2 and Rev.1) as orally amended;

Approved the report of the first regular session 2000 (DP/2000/9);

Agreed to the following schedule of sessions of the Executive Board in 2000 and 2001:

Annual session 2000:	13-23 June 2000 (Geneva)
Third regular session 2000:	25-29 September 2000*
First regular session 2001:	29 January-10 February 2001
Annual session 2001:	11-22 June 2001 (New York)
Second regular session 2001:	10-14 September 2001

Agreed to the work plan for the annual session 2000 of the Executive Board, contained in the annex to the present decision;

Took note of the Administrator's plan to pursue consultations with all partners

* Subject to the approval of the Committee on Conferences

to explore their individual interest in convening a ministerial-level meeting to address the current funding situation of the organization at the earliest appropriate date, taking into account all comments made during this session on that issue;

UNFPA segment

Item 2
UNFPA sector-wide approaches

Adopted decision 2000/8 of 6 April 2000 on UNFPA and sector-wide approaches;

Item 3
UNFPA multi-year funding framework

Adopted decision 2000/9 of 7 April 2000 on the UNFPA multi-year funding framework, 2000-2003;

Item 4
Funding commitments to UNFPA

Took note of the report on funding commitments to UNFPA (DP/FPA/2000/CRP.4);

Joint UNDP/UNFPA segment

Item 5
Reports to the Economic and Social Council

Took note of the reports of the Administrator (DP/2000/11) and the Executive Director (DP/FPA/2000/7) to the Economic and Social Council and agreed to transmit them to the Economic and Social Council with comments made thereon;

Decided to transmit Executive Board decision 99/20 on the United Nations Revolving Fund for Natural Resources Exploration to the Economic and Social Council;

UNDP segment

Item 6
Business plans

Took note of the report: Meeting the challenge: the role of UNDP in crisis, post-conflict and recovery situations, 2000-2003 (DP/2000/18) and invited the Administrator to present to the Executive Board, at its first regular session 2001, a document that further elaborates on the specific role of the United Nations Development Programme in special development situations and to present concrete

plans for its further implementation after a full and wide-ranging consultation process;

Took note of the executive summary of the evaluation: "Sharing new ground in post-conflict situations: the role of UNDP in reintegration programmes" (DP/2000/14);

Item 7
Funding commitments to UNDP

Took note of the oral report on the emerging results of the multi-year funding framework;

Took note of the report on regular funding commitments to the United Nations Development Programme and its associated funds and programmes for 2000 and onwards (DP/2000/CRP.6 and DP/2000/CRP.9);

Item 8
Evaluation of relationship between UNOPS and UNDP

Took note of the executive summary of the evaluation of the relationship between the United Nations Office for Project Services and the United Nations Development Programme (DP/2000/13) and the note on the evaluation of relationship between UNOPS and UNDP: a joint review of the recommendations (DP/2000/CRP.8) and decided to revert to this item at its annual session 2001;

Item 9
Country cooperation frameworks and related matters

Authorized the Administrator to approve assistance to the Republic of the Congo on a project-by-project basis for 2000-2001;

Authorized the Administrator to approve assistance for Afghanistan on a project-by-project basis for the period 2000-2003;

Took note of the report on earmarkings for the target for resource assignments from the core for 2000-2003 (DP/2000/17);

Took note of the following extensions of country and regional cooperation frameworks:

First extension of the cooperation framework for technical cooperation among developing countries	DP/CF/TCDC/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Anguilla	DP/CCF/ANL/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Barbados	DP/CCF/BAR/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for the British Virgin Islands	DP/CCF/BVI/1/EXTENSION I

First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Dominica	DP/CCF/DMI/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Granada	DP/CCF/GRN/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Guyana	DP/CCF/GUY/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Saint Lucia	DP/CCF/STL/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	DP/CCF/STV/1/EXTENSION I
First extension of the first regional cooperation framework for Latin America	DP/RCF/RLA/1/EXTENSION I

Approved the following country cooperation frameworks:

Second country cooperation framework for Kazakhstan	DP/CCF/KAZ/2
Second country cooperation framework for Kyrgyzstan	DP/CCF/KYR/2 and Corr.1
Second country cooperation framework for Zimbabwe	DP/CCF/ZIM/2

Took note of the following country reviews:

First country review report for Cambodia	DP/CRR/CMB/1
First country review report for Uzbekistan	DP/CRR/UZB/1
First country review report for Zimbabwe	DP/CRR/ZIM/1

Item 10
United Nations Development Fund for Women

Adopted decision 2000/7 of 6 April 2000 on the United Nations Development Fund for Women: Strategy and Business Plan, 2000-2003;

Item 11
Other matters

7 April 2000

Tentative work plan
Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA
Annual session 2000, Geneva (13 to 23 June 2000)

Day/date	*Time*	*Item*	*Subject*
Tuesday, 13 June	a.m.	1	Organizational matters: Adoption of the agenda and agreement on the work plan
			UNFPA segment
		2	Report of the Executive Director for 1999
	p.m.		*UNFPA Special Event:*
			Panel Discussion: Adolescent Reproductive Health
Wednesday, 14 June	a.m.	2	Report of the Executive Director for 1999 (continued)
		3	ICPD+5
	p.m.	7	Emergency assistance
Thursday, 15 June	a.m.	6	UNFPA programming process
	p.m.	4	Evaluation
Friday, 16 June	a.m.	5	Information and communication
			Pending decisions
	p.m.		**UNDP/UNFPA joint segment**
		8	Internal audit and oversight
		14	Other matters: UNAIDS
Monday, 19 June	a.m.		**UNDP segment**
		9	Annual report of the Administrator for 1999, including the results-oriented annual report (ROAR)
	p.m.	9	Annual report of the Administrator for 1999, including the ROAR (continued)
Tuesday, 20 June	a.m.	9	Annual report of the Administrator for 1999, including the ROAR (continued)
		10	Communication and advocacy strategy
	p.m.	11	United Nations Volunteers
Wednesday, 21 June	a.m.	12	Country cooperation frameworks and related matters
	p.m.		*UNDP Special Event:*
			Debate on the future of United Nations operational activities for development (*timing tentative*)
Thursday, 22 June	a.m.	13	United Nations Office for Project Services – Annual report of the Executive Director – Responsibility of UNOPS for personnel matters (dec. 99/17)

Day/date	*Time*	*Item*	*Subject*
	p.m.	13	United Nations Office for Project Services (continued)
	Evening		*Informal meeting with NGOs/CSOs*
Friday, 23 June	a.m.	1	Organizational matters
	p.m.		Pending decisions

2000/11
Future programme directions of UNFPA in light of the outcome of the ICPD+5

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of document DP/FPA/2000/9 and of the views expressed thereon at the annual session 2000;

2. *Endorses* the continuing use of UNFPA's three core programme areas: reproductive health, including family planning and sexual health; population and development strategies; and advocacy;

3. *Emphasizes* that UNFPA support should be focused on meeting the priority needs as identified by programme countries within the three core programme areas;

4. *Endorses* the proposed substantive focus within each core programme area as set forth in document DP/FPA/2000/9, and in particular encourages UNFPA to:

(a) Fulfil its leadership role as an advocate at global and national levels for reproductive health, population and development issues, and actions agreed at the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) and at the twenty-first special session of the General Assembly on the ICPD+5;

(b) Help to ensure that ICPD goals and ICPD+5 benchmarks of particular concern to UNFPA are achieved, through its role in:

(i) Supporting development of population and development strategies, and helping to strengthen national capacity for data systems, analysis and population policy formulation, including for tracking progress in reproductive health and other key national population indicators;

(ii) Leading and supporting action on reproductive health, including family planning and sexual health, effective measures in the areas of maternal and adolescent reproductive health, prevention of sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV/AIDS, and reproductive health commodity security;

(iii) Advocating these goals and benchmarks with the aim of moving reproductive health up on the development agenda and of promoting policy changes as appropriate;

(iv) Working under the leadership of concerned programme country governments and in consultation with other development partners to ensure that population and development issues and reproductive health are properly addressed and coordinated in country-level programmes, including sector-wide approaches in health, education and other sectors, and other appropriate development assistance efforts;

5. *Endorses* the Fund's overall approach to collaboration and coordination within the United Nations system, and with other relevant stakeholders and organizations, and at the country level under the leadership of the concerned programme country government;

6. *Requests* the Executive Director to reflect and take account of the priorities outlined in the present decision in developing and refining the multi-year funding framework, as requested by the Executive Board in its decision 2000/9;

7. *Notes* with grave concern the financial situation facing UNFPA in fulfilling its leadership role as outlined above and the critical need for increased mobilization of resources from all sources, particularly from bilateral donors, the private sector, foundations and other appropriate sources.

16 June 2000

2000/12
UNFPA programming process

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* with appreciation of the report on the UNFPA programming approval process (DP/FPA/2000/11);

2. *Welcomes* progress towards the development of a more inclusive country programme preparation process with enhanced national ownership;

3. *Emphasizes* the need for further harmonization and standardization of programmes and programming procedures for all United Nations funds and programmes within the United Nations Development Group;

4. *Also emphasizes* the need for such further harmonization efforts to provide the basis for a substantive, timely and joint oversight function of the respective Executive Boards;

5. *Requests* UNFPA to propose to the other members of the United Nations Development Group the establishment of a working group with the objective of developing a common programme approval process, taking into consideration paragraphs 3 and 4 of the present decision;

6. *Requests* UNFPA to report to the Executive Board at the annual session 2001on progress and future options in the programming process.

16 June 2000

2000/13
Ensuring reproductive health in emergency situations

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Executive Director "Ensuring reproductive health in especially difficult circumstances: UNFPA programme experience and challenges" (DP/FPA/2000/12);

2. *Encourages* UNFPA, within its mandate, to provide appropriate and timely support in emergencies, as outlined in the report;

3. *Appeals* to UNFPA to ensure close cooperation in the framework of the existing international coordination mechanisms and to incorporate reproductive health issues in a timely manner in health responses to emergencies;

4. *Encourages* UNFPA to continue to seek extrabudgetary resources for support of population and reproductive health in emergencies, whenever possible through the United Nations Consolidated Appeal Process;

5. *Urges* members of the Fund to respond in a timely manner so that such appeals from UNFPA are adequately funded;

6. *Endorses* the use of up to $1 million of regular resources per year from the interregional programme for reproductive health needs in special circumstances as a leveraging base from which to build appeals for extrabudgetary resources, as set out in the annex to the present decision;

7. *Encourages* UNFPA to evaluate its organizational capacity and systematize its responses to reproductive health needs in special circumstances and to monitor and evaluate its overall performance in this regard;

8. *Requests* the Executive Director to include in her annual report a summary of activities funded by these resources.

16 June 2000

Annex

1. The emergency funds could be accessed in situations where serious and immediate population and reproductive health needs are clearly identified but where any of the three following criteria apply:

(a) Regular country programme funds are not available at all;

(b) Country programme funds are not immediately available but could be used at a later date for reimbursement with the approval of the government;

(c) Donor support for the UNFPA component of a Consolidated Appeal Process has been committed but funds are not yet in hand.

In the last two cases, the reserve would support the cost of immediate needs and would then be reimbursed.

2. UNFPA will continue to seek extrabudgetary resources for support of population and reproductive health in crisis situations, considering the $1 million of regular resources per year from the interregional programme for reproductive health needs in special circumstances as a leveraging base from which to build appeals for such resources.

2000/14
United Nations Volunteers

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* with appreciation of the report of the Administrator on the activities of the United Nations Volunteers programme during the 1998-1999 biennium (DP/2000/24) and the significant growth achieved during that period;

2. *Welcomes* the use of the UNDP strategic results framework, including the way in which it encompasses United Nations Volunteers support to the United Nations system as a whole;

3. *Reaffirms* the importance as well as the value-added of the United Nations Volunteers programme at the global, regional and national levels, including in poverty reduction, electoral support and the promotion of South-South collaboration;

4. *Welcomes* the contribution of the United Nations Volunteers programme to national capacity-building and sustainable development through, in particular, the expanded mobilization of national UNV volunteers;

5. *Supports* the relevant bridging role that UNV volunteers can play in the transition from humanitarian assistance to reconstruction and rehabilitation and to longer-term sustainable development;

6. *Decides* that the theme of the special event at its annual session 2001 will be volunteering in the framework of the International Year of Volunteers and the thirtieth anniversary of the United Nations Volunteers programme.

22 June 2000

2000/15
Annual report of the Administrator for 1999

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the annual report of the Administrator (DP/2000/23 and Add.2 and 3) and requests the Administrator to take fully into account the views expressed by States members of the Programme in this regard, and also takes note of the results-oriented annual report (DP/2000/23/Add.1 and DP/2000/CRP.10) together with the views expressed thereon;

2. *Commends* the Administrator and his staff for the efforts made in preparing the results-oriented annual report;

3. *Encourages* the promotion and further refinement of the results-oriented annual report process as an integral part of the multi-year funding framework, in consultation with States members of the Programme.

23 June 2000

2000/16
Annual report of the Executive Director on the activities of the United Nations Office for Project Services

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Office for Project Services (DP/2000/25), including operation in accordance with the self-financing principle in relation to recurring administrative expenditure;

2. *Emphasizes* again the importance of effective follow-up of the report on the evaluation of the relationship between the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Office for Project Services and requests that a progress report be submitted to the Executive Board at its third regular session 2000 on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the evaluation;

3. *Requests* the Management Coordination Committee to assist with urgency the United Nations Office for Project Services and the United Nations Development Programme in overcoming the difficulties detailed in paragraphs 48-50 of document DP/2000/25;

4. *Takes note* of the fact that a drawdown from the operational reserve of the United Nations Office for Project Services was effected in 1999, in the amount of $13.8 million, to cover part of the non-recurring expenditure;

5. *Notes* with concern that the cost of relocating the headquarters of the United Nations Office for Project Services has risen from $8.5 million to $14 million and requests the Executive Director to inform the Executive Board regularly on the timing and means of reconstituting the operational reserve;

6. *Requests* the Executive Director to submit at the third regular session 2000 a report on steps taken to implement decision 99/17 of 15 September 1999 and to submit at the first regular session 2001 a detailed report on the steps taken to implement the delegation of personnel authority;

7. *Also requests* the Executive Director to submit at the third regular session 2000, a new, justified proposal with regard to the upgrading of two existing posts from the P-5 level to the D-1 level; and also to present a report reviewing the current procedures for approval of the establishment of posts at the D-1 level outlined in Executive Board decision 94/32 of 10 October 1994, with the view of achieving a practice that is more consistent with the establishment of posts at all levels up to and including the P-5 level.

23 June 2000

2000/17
Overview of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its annual session 2000

The Executive Board

Recalls that during the annual session 2000, it:

Item 1
Organizational matters

Approved the agenda and work plan for its annual session 2000 (DP/2000/L.3) as orally amended;

Approved the report of the second regular session 2000 (DP/2000/20);

Agreed to the following schedule of sessions of the Executive Board in 2000 and 2001:

Third regular session 2000:	25-29 September 2000*
First regular session 2001:	29 January-10 February 2001
Annual session 2001:	11-22 June 2001 (New York)
Second regular session 2001:	10-14 September 2001*

* Subject to approval by the Committee on Conferences.

Agreed to the work plan for the third regular session 2000 of the Executive Board, contained in the annex to the present decision;

Held a UNFPA special event on "Adolescent Reproductive Health" on 13 June 2000;

Held a UNDP special event on "Contribution to the debate on the United Nations operational activities for development and the key role of partnerships" on 22 June 2000;

UNFPA segment

Item 2
Report of the Executive Director for 1999

Took note of the report of the Executive Director for 1999 (DP/FPA/2000/8 (Part I and Part I/Add.1, Part II and Corr.1 and Part III), with comments made thereon;

Item 3
ICPD+5

Adopted decision 2000/11 of 16 June 2000 on future programme directions of UNFPA in light of the outcome of the ICPD+5;

Item 4
Evaluation

Took note of the periodic report on UNFPA's evaluation activities (DP/FPA/2000/10);

Item 5
Information and communication strategy

Took note of the oral report on the implementation of the UNFPA information and communication strategy;

Item 6
UNFPA programming process

Adopted decision 2000/12 of 16 June 2000 on the UNFPA programming process;

Item 7
Emergency assistance

Adopted decision 2000/13 of 16 June 2000 on ensuring reproductive health in emergency situations;

Joint UNDP/UNFPA segment

Item 8
Internal audit and oversight

Took note of the reports on internal audit and oversight activities of the United Nations Development Programme (DP/2000/21), of the United Nations Population Fund (DP/FPA/2000/13) and of the United Nations Office for Project Services (DP/2000/25/Add.1);

UNDP segment

Item 9
Annual report of the Administrator for 1999, including the results-oriented annual report (ROAR)

Adopted decision 2000/15 of 23 June 2000 on the annual report of the Administrator for 1999;

Item 10
Communication and advocacy strategy

Took note of the oral report on UNDP corporate communication and advocacy strategy;

Item 11
United Nations Volunteers

Adopted decision 2000/14 of 22 June 2000 on United Nations Volunteers;

Item 12
Country cooperation frameworks and related matters

Approved the following country cooperation frameworks:

Second country cooperation framework for Azerbaijan	DP/CCF/AZE/2
Second country cooperation framework for the Islamic Republic of Iran	DP/CCF/IRA/2
Second country cooperation framework for Romania	DP/CCF/ROM/2
Second country cooperation framework for Turkmenistan	DP/CCF/TUK/2

Approved the following extension of the first country cooperation framework:

First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Brazil	DP/CCF/BRA/1/EXT.1

Took note of the following extensions of country cooperation frameworks:

First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Argentina	DP/CCF/ARG/1/EXT.1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Chile	DP/CCF/CHI/1/EXT.1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Uruguay	DP/CCF/URU/1/EXT.1

Item 13
United Nations Office for Project Services

Adopted decision 2000/16 of 23 June 2000 on the annual report of the Executive Director for 1999;

Took note of the report of the Executive Director on the updated review of the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors (DP/2000/26);

Item 14
Other matters

Took note of the report on the field visit to Mali and Mauritania (DP/2000/CRP.11 and Corr.1);

Took note of the report on the field visit to Cambodia (DP/2000/CRP.12).

23 June 2000

Tentative work plan
Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA
Third regular session 2000 (25 to 29 September 2000)

Day/date	*Time*	*Item*	*Subject*
Monday, 25 September	a.m.	1	Organizational matters: agenda and work plan; report on the annual session 2000; list of items to be taken by the Executive Board in 2001
			UNFPA segment
		2	Resource allocation system
	p.m.	2	Resource allocation system (continued)
Tuesday, 26 September	a.m.	3	Financial, budgetary and administrative matters
	p.m.	4	Technical advisory programme
		5	Country programmes and related matters
Wednesday, 27 September	a.m.		**UNDP segment**
		6	United Nations Office for Project Services
	p.m.	7	Financial, budgetary and administrative matters
Thursday, 28 September	a.m.	7	Financial, budgetary and administrative matters (continued)
	p.m.	8	Evaluation
Friday, 29 September	a.m.	9	Country cooperation frameworks and related matters
	p.m.	10	Technical cooperation among developing countries
			Pending decisions
		11	Other matters
		1	Organizational matters

2000/18
Expression of appreciation to Dr. Nafis Sadik, Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund, 1987-2000

The Executive Board

Noting with sadness that Dr. Nafis Sadik will retire from her position as Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund, effective 31 December 2000,

Commending the visionary and courageous leadership of Dr. Sadik as Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund and acknowledging her central role in bringing population and development issues to the forefront of the international agenda, recognizing in particular her championing of reproductive health and rights, gender equity and equality, the empowerment of women and the needs of adolescents,

Recognizing the vital role of Dr. Sadik as Secretary-General of the International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo, Egypt, in 1994, and in particular her determination and dynamism in facilitating the forging of a consensus among 179 States on the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, and recognizing also her key role in the ICPD+5 review and appraisal process and her commitment to the coordinated follow-up to the recent United Nations global conferences,

Acknowledging her deep dedication to assisting countries around the world in implementing the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, with particular attention to national priorities and particularities,

Also acknowledging her unrelenting commitment to advocating on behalf of and giving voice to the many voiceless women around the world, *inter alia*, through promoting and enhancing their reproductive health and well-being,

Recognizing her leadership role in forging strategic partnerships with the private sector and civil society, including non-governmental organizations, private foundations and other stakeholders and actors in the field of population and development,

Also recognizing her tireless efforts and strong commitment to the United Nations reform process and her dynamic and active participation in the Executive Committee of the United Nations Development Group,

1. *Expresses its deep appreciation and gratitude* to Dr. Nafis Sadik for her effective management and distinguished leadership of the United Nations Population Fund from 1987 to 2000, for her accomplishments and for her deep commitment to population and development;

2. *Extends its best wishes* to Dr. Nafis Sadik for a long and happy life and for continued success in all her future undertakings.

26 September 2000

2000/19
Review of the system for the allocation of UNFPA resources to country programmes

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report on the quinquennial review of the system for the allocation of UNFPA resources to country programmes (DP/FPA/2000/14);

2. *Strongly reaffirms* that the impact of UNFPA operational activities must be enhanced by, *inter alia*, a substantial increase in their funding on a predictable, continuous and assured basis, commensurate with the increasing needs of developing countries, as well as through the full implementation of General Assembly resolutions 47/199, 48/162, 50/120, 53/192 and parts relevant to operational activities for development of General Assembly resolution 52/12 B;

3. *Endorses* the approach for resource allocation as contained in document DP/FPA/2000/14, including both the indicators and threshold levels towards meeting the goals of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) as well as the indicators that address the Key Actions for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action of the ICPD, as adopted by the 21st Special Session of the General Assembly;

4. *Decides* that the updated resource allocation system contained in document DP/FPA/2000/14 should take effect at the beginning of the new programme cycle for any given country; in the case an upgrading country faces particularly adverse circumstances, its new resource allocation level should be implemented on a gradual basis, during a prudent transitory period;

5. *Reaffirms* the procedure for categorizing countries into Groups A, B and C as outlined in the report; approves the relative share of resources presented in table 5 of the report; and requests UNFPA to make special efforts to achieve the target shares for Group A countries as set out in table 5;

6. *Recommends* that the distribution of resources to individual countries, and particularly to those changing category, be made in a flexible manner, taking into account the need to ensure that the gains already made are not compromised;

7. *Endorses* that a grace period be accorded to the four new category O countries during which their programmes would be gradually phased out in a flexible manner;

8. *Recalls* its decision 96/15, in which the Executive Board, *inter alia*:

(a) Decided that the United Nations Population Fund, while using a flexible approach, should give special attention to the least developed countries, low-income countries and Africa;

(b) Also recognized the need to address the problems of significant social sectors and areas not reflected in national average indicators;

9. *Recognizes* that some countries may still continue to require programme support in selected thematic areas to assure that the gains already made are not compromised;

10. *Requests* the United Nations Population Fund, in recognition of the principle of universality, to make all efforts to maintain appropriate presence and visibility in all programme countries, including those in categories C, O and T;

11. *Further requests* the Executive Director to undertake a further quinquennial review of the system for resource allocation, including an assessment of the indicators and their threshold levels, and to report to the Executive Board in the year 2005; the assessment should be made in close consultation with all countries concerned, with a view to avoiding their duplication, as well as to ensuring their transparency, consistency and reliability.

28 September 2000

2000/20
UNOPS revised budget estimates for the biennium 2000-2001

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Executive Director on revised budget estimates for the biennium 2000-2001 (DP/2000/37 and Corr.1 and DP/2000/37/Add.1 and Corr.1);

2. *Approves* the revised budget estimates for the biennium 2000-2001 in the amount of $106.3 million;

3. *Decides*, pursuant to UNOPS Financial Regulation 7.5, that the Executive Director shall have authority to incur expenditure, both personnel and administrative-related, in an amount not to exceed 5 per cent of the approved budget estimates for the biennium in order to respond to unanticipated changes in business acquisition that are supported by unspent and/or projected income;

4. *Approves* the staffing level as proposed for the biennium 2000-2001;

5. *Approves* the reclassification of two posts at the P-5 level to the D-1 level;

6. *Endorses* the view of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions that the replenishment of the operational reserve should start earlier than 2002 if the income and expenditure of UNOPS so permit;

7. *Requests* the Executive Director to work toward the replenishment of the operational reserve as a matter of urgency and to report to the annual session 2001 as part of the consolidated UNOPS report on the measures needed to restore the operational reserve to its prescribed level.

28 September 2000

2000/21
Responsibility of the United Nations Office for Project Services in personnel matters

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Executive Director (DP/2000/30) and of the fact that delegation of authority in personnel matters has been provided to the Executive Director by the Administrator;

2. *Requests* the Executive Director to report at the annual session 2001, as part of the consolidated UNOPS report, on measures taken to ensure the proper discharge of the delegated authority and on the impact, if any, of the continuing need for advance approval of the Executive Board for the establishment of posts at the D-1 level and above.

29 September 2000

2000/22
Progress report on follow-up to the evaluation of the UNDP/UNOPS relationship: Joint review of recommendations

The Executive Board

1. *Recalls* its decision 2000/16;

2. *Takes note* of the report contained in document DP/2000/35;

3. *Urges* the Administrator and the Executive Director to ensure action, without further delay, on the outstanding recommendations of the evaluation as a matter of urgency;

4. *Requests* the Administrator and the Executive Director to submit to the Executive Board at its annual session 2001 a detailed report on progress achieved on all recommendations of the evaluation report.

28 September 2000

2000/23
Strengthening partnerships for drylands development and poverty eradication: the role and activities of UNDP in support of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the report on strengthening partnerships for drylands development and poverty eradication: the role and activities of UNDP in support of the UNCCD (DP/2000/CRP.14);

2. *Invites* the United Nations Development Programme to explore with the Secretariat of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification practical modalities for supporting the ongoing national consultative processes of the Convention on partnership-building through the round-table mechanism;

3. *Encourages* the United Nations Development Programme to contribute to capacity-building and resources mobilization, particularly through its regional and national offices, with a view to assisting affected developing countries to implement the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification effectively at the national, subregional and regional levels;

4. *Invites* the Administrator to report to the Executive Board at its annual session 2001 on the implementation of the present decision.

29 September 2000

2000/24
Overview of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its third regular session 2000

The Executive Board

Recalls that during the third regular session 2000, it:

Item 1
Organizational matters

Approved the agenda and work plan for its third regular session 2000 (DP/2000/L.4) as orally amended;

Approved the report of the annual session 2000 (DP/2000/27);

Agreed to the following schedule of sessions of the Executive Board in 2001:

First regular session 2001:	29 January-6 February 2001 (7 working days)
Annual session 2001:	11-22 June 2001 (New York)
Second regular session 2001:	10-14 September 2001*

* Subject to approval by the Committee on Conferences.

Agreed to the work plan for the first regular session 2001 of the Executive Board, contained in the annex to the present decision;

Took note of the list of items for 2001 as reflected in the outline for the Executive Board work plan 2001 (DP/2000/CRP.13);

Adopted decision 2000/18 of 26 September 2000, Expression of appreciation to Dr. Nafis Sadik, Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund, 1987-2000;

UNFPA segment

Item 2
Resource allocation system

Adopted decision 2000/19 of 28 September 2000 on the system for the allocation of UNFPA resources to country programmes;

Item 3
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Took note of the report on the UNFPA annual financial review, 1999 (DP/FPA/2000/15 and Corr.1 (Chinese, English and Russian only));

Took note of the oral report on the updated estimates of UNFPA income for 2000;

Item 4
Technical advisory programme

Took note of the progress report on the implementation of Technical Advisory Programme arrangements (DP/FPA/2000/16);

Item 5
Country programmes and related matters

Approved assistance to the Governments of Cambodia (DP/FPA/KHM/2) and Viet Nam (DP/FPA/VNM/6);

UNDP segment

Item 6
United Nations Office for Project Services

Adopted decision 2000/20 of 28 September 2000 on UNOPS revised budget estimates for the biennium 2000-2001;

Took note of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the UNOPS revised budget estimates and procedures for establishing posts at the D-1 level (DP/2000/38);

Took note of the report on UNOPS statistical annex (DP/2000/37/Add.1 and Corr.1);

Adopted decision 2000/21 of 29 September 2000 on the responsibility of the United Nations Office for Project Services in personnel matters;

Item 7
Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Took note of the report on the UNDP annual review of the financial situation, 1999 (DP/2000/29 and Add.1);

Took note of the oral update on the budget for the biennium 2000-2001 (decision 99/23);

Took note of the report on updated resource allocation framework and revised MYFF (DP/2000/31) and agreed to consider a revised integrated resources framework in conjunction with the biennial budget for 2002-2003 at the second regular session 2001;

Took note of the report on activities of the Inter-Agency Procurement Services Office (DP/2000/33) and recommended that the Office continue to explore ways in which the expanded use of collective pricing agreements can be coordinated with other entities of the United Nations system;

Took note of the report on United Nations system technical cooperation expenditure, 1999 (DP/2000/39) and the addendum to the report (DP/2000/39/Add.1);

Item 8

Evaluation

Took note of the report of the Administrator on evaluation (DP/2000/34);

Adopted decision 2000/22 of 28 September 2000 on the progress report on follow-up to the evaluation of the UNDP/UNOPS relationship;

Item 9

Country cooperation frameworks and related matters

Approved the following country cooperation frameworks:

Second country cooperation framework for Armenia	DP/CCF/ARM/2
Second country cooperation framework for Czech Republic	DP/CCF/CZE/2
Second country cooperation framework for Hungary	DP/CCF/HUN/2
Second country cooperation framework for Maldives	DP/CCF/MDV/2
Second country cooperation framework for Poland	DP/CCF/POL/2
Second country cooperation framework for Slovakia	DP/CCF/SLO/2
Second country cooperation framework for Slovenia	DP/CCF/SVN/2
Second country cooperation framework for Uzbekistan	DP/CCF/UZB/2
Second country cooperation framework for Viet Nam	DP/CCF/VIE/2

Approved the following extensions of country cooperation frameworks:

Second extension of the first country cooperation framework for Bulgaria	DP/CCF/BUL/1/EXTENSION II
Two-year extension of the first country cooperation framework for El Salvador	DP/CCF/ELS/1/EXTENSION I
Two-year extension of the first country cooperation framework for Venezuela	DP/CCF/VEN/1/EXTENSION I

Took note of the following extensions of country cooperation frameworks:

First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Belize	DP/CCF/BEL/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Costa Rica	DP/CCF/COS/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea	DP/CCF/DRK/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Equatorial Guinea	DP/CCF/EQG/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Honduras	DP/CCF/HON/1/EXTENSION 1
First extension of the first country cooperation framework for Togo	DP/CCF/TOG/1/EXTENSION 1

Took note of the following country review reports:

First country review report for Algeria	DP/CRR/ALG/1
First country review report for Guatemala	DP/CRR/GUA/1 and Corr.1 (French only)
First country review report for Poland	DP/CRR/POL/1
First country review report for Uganda	DP/CRR/UGA/1

Took note of the following reviews of regional cooperation frameworks:

Review of the regional cooperation framework for Africa	DP/RRR/RBA/1
Review of the regional cooperation framework for Asia and the Pacific	DP/RRR/RAP/1
Review of the regional cooperation framework for Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States	DP/RRR/REC/1
Review of the regional cooperation framework for Latin America and the Caribbean	DP/RRR/RLA/1

Took note of the report on the review of the first global cooperation framework (DP/GRR/GCF/1);

Adopted decision 2000/23 of 29 September 2000 on strengthening partnerships for drylands development and poverty eradication: the role and activities of UNDP in support of UNCCD;

Authorized the Administrator to approve projects for East Timor on a case-by-case basis for the period 2000-2002, as proposed in document DP/2000/40;

Took note of the oral progress report on assistance to Myanmar;

Item 10

Technical cooperation among developing countries

Decided to resume consideration of the report on technical cooperation among developing countries: follow-up to decision 99/11 (DP/2000/36) at its first regular session 2001;

Item 11

Other matters

Confirmed the selection of representatives from the Eastern European States and the Western European and other States to serve on the WHO/UNICEF/UNFPA Coordinating Committee on Health for 2001-2002 and authorized the Bureau of the Executive Board to approve the respective selections from the Africa, Asia and the Pacific, and the Latin America and the Caribbean groups, to be confirmed at the first regular session 2001.

29 September 2000

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		2	UNDP Business Plans 2000-2003 - Update and follow-up to Ministerial Meeting
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	p.m.		Country cooperation frameworks and related matters (continued) - Global cooperation framework
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		8	Country programmes and related matters - Progress report on implementing the intercountry programme

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